

**WILLIAMSBURG
ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, December 13, 2005**

CALL TO ORDER AND ATTENDANCE

The regular semimonthly Architectural Review Board meeting was held on Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. in the third Floor Conference Room of the Municipal Building.

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order. Present in addition to Mr. Williams were Board members Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles. None were absent. Also present was Zoning Officer Beck and Zoning Administrator Murphy.

ARB #05-099 National Pancake House/1605 Richmond Road – New Color Scheme – Approved.

ARB #05-100 ITC Developments/1166 Jamestown Road – Exterior Change (door) – Approved.

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SIGN #05-043 CWF/Celebrations/110-A South Henry Street – Directory and Building Mounted Signs – Approved.

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SIGN #05-044 Weight Watchers/131 Monticello Avenue – Building Mounted Sign – Approved.

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SIGN #05-045 CWF/Prosody Creative Services/212 North Henry Street – Building Mounted Sign – Approved.

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SIGN #05-047 Jos A Bank/3032-2A Richmond Road – Building Mounted & Awning Signage – Approved.

Mr. Williams motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards and Mr. Spence from ARB Sign #05-043 & 045.

ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION DISTRICT

ARB #05-095 Anderson & Cumber/511 Capitol Landing Road – Retroactive approval for vinyl siding and roof over front stoop

Colby Cumber and Lisa Anderson presented their proposal for retroactive approval of vinyl siding over wood siding and roof over the front stoop at 511 Capitol Landing Road. Mr. Williams stated the roof over the front stoop met the **Design Review Guidelines** criteria, but the vinyl siding replacing or covering wood siding did not meet the **Design Review Guidelines** criteria in an **Architectural Preservation District Zone 1**. Mr. Cumber stated the dwelling had vinyl siding on it when they purchased the property and they should not be held responsible for it. Mrs. Murphy stated that she had spoken with Joseph Phillips, the City Attorney, and he stated the current property owners inherited the violation when they purchased the property. Ms. Anderson expressed concern about the Frazier and Associates survey not matching the City's Tax Assessor records. Mrs. Murphy explained that City's Tax Assessor Records and Frazier and Associates survey were not related in that the Tax Assessor uses a less descriptive form than Frazier and Associates. Ms. Anderson reported that 509 Capitol Landing Road, which was built in 1943, was covered in vinyl siding and there was no survey for the property. Mrs. Murphy explained that the surveys were done on buildings fifty years of age or older in 1991, and since this property was constructed in 1943, it was not surveyed.

The Board members sympathized with the situation, but agreed that they could not approve the vinyl siding because the **Design Review Guidelines** prohibit vinyl siding in an **Architectural Preservation District Zone 1**.

Mr. Williams motioned to approve ARB #05-095 for retroactive approval of the roof over the front stoop and denial of ARB #05-095 for retroactive application of vinyl siding because the **Design Review Guidelines** does not allow vinyl siding in an **Architectural Preservation District Zone 1**.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ARB #05-097 Kades/305 Indian Springs Road – Addition (patio and deck)

Mr. Ernest Grimes, builder, presented this proposal. He acknowledged that portions of the dwelling contained a brick foundation but the area associated with this request was 6" shoe block. Therefore, he requested approval of the plans as submitted. After a brief discussion concerning the location of brick and block foundations on the dwelling, Board members were in agreement with the request.

Mr. Lane motioned to approve ARB #05-097 as presented at the meeting.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ARB #05-098 WRHA/Triangle Building/200 Armistead Avenue – Clock

Jim Gurganus, Director W.H.R.A., presented the clock on a pedestal for the Triangle Building noting it would be a focal point for the building. After a short discussion, Board members agreed with the proposal.

Mr. Williams motioned to approve ARB #05-098 as presented.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

CORRIDOR PROTECTION DISTRICT

ARB #05-089 Econo Lodge/1900 Richmond Road – New Color Scheme

Ratnam Patel returned to the Board for approval of the new color scheme with color renderings and color samples as requested by the Board at the November 8, 2005, meeting. Following a discussion on the colors, the Board agreed the proposed colors were acceptable.

Mr. Williams motioned to approved ARB #05-089 with two colors as presented (Tiny Fawn and Ivory).

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ARB #05-096 Walgreens/1309 Richmond Road – New Pharmacy

Todd Bartok and Charles Newbaker presented two designs for Walgreens. The original design submitted with the application had a flat roof with metal seam awnings over the windows. Mr. Bartok stated after talking to staff he designed the second building with a

pitched roof and canvas awnings. The Board reviewed and discussed the particulars of both designs. Mr. Bartok noted the window in the tower was there to break up the massing and that Walgreens typically had a neon pharmacy symbol inside the window which he knew would not be allowed in City of Williamsburg. Mrs. Murphy stated the City regulates any interior signs within three feet of any window and that neon signs are not permitted in the City except for one open sign.

The Board was split between the metal seam awnings and canvas awnings. Mrs. Murphy noted that the **Design Review Guidelines** allow canvas awnings, and most awnings in the City are canvas. Mr. Bartok stated the reasons they want metal seam awnings is because they are low maintenance and canvas awnings would fade and wear out faster than metal seam awnings. The Board decided that canvas awnings should be used to comply with the **Design Review Guidelines** and past precedents.

The Board was split on the two building designs. Some members were leaning toward the design with the pitch roof because it blended better with the “Williamsburg Shopping Center”, and other members preferred the flat roof design. Mrs. Murphy asked if the parapet on the flat roof design was high enough to hide all the mechanical equipment the roof. Mr. Bartok stated the parapet needed to be a foot higher. Chairman Williams stated that the application needed to be tabled because the Board needed to see proposed elevations for both designs including adjustments for a raised parapet in the flat roof version. Canvas awning details would also be required for the flat roof version.

Mr. Hertzler asked if they would be able to save the four huge white oaks on the property. Mr. Newbaker stated they tried, but it would not be possible.

There being no further questions the application was tabled pending receipt of the requested revisions.

ARB #05-101 Ripley’s Believe It or Not/1735 Richmond Road – Exterior Changes & Color Scheme

John Hopke returned for final approval after receiving conceptual approval at the October 28, 2005 meeting. The Board had a concern with the color scheme on the theater entrance elevation and suggested painting the siding to match the stucco at the theater entrance. Mr. Hopke agreed.

Mr. Hertzler motioned to approve ARB #05-101 conditioned upon the siding being painted to match the stucco at the entrance to the theater.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye:	Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.
Nay:	None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

ARB #05-102 Food for Thought/1647 Richmond Road – Addition and New Color Scheme

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SIGN #05-046 Food for Thought/1647 Richmond Road – Monument & Building Mounted Signs

Kristen O’Connell, Architect, and Howard Hopkins presented the proposal noting the gray stone for the entrance and the blue color for the metal seamed roof on the building addition. The Board concluded that the blue metal roof would be acceptable if it had a matte finish.

Jason Hill, Fine Signs, presented the sign proposal noting the sign colors would match those approved for the building.

Mr. Williams motioned to approved ARB SIGN #05-046 and ARB #05-102 conditioned upon the blue standing seamed metal roof having a matte finish.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.

Nay: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

ARB #05-103 Wyndham Plantation Phase III/335 Parkway Drive – New Building Design

Rob Lang presented the proposal noting the building designs have changed and the plans submitted are not the final versions and requested tabling the application. The Board commented that the proposed designs were on the right track and the final plans should comply with the ***Design Review Guidelines*** as noted by staff.

Shawn McLaughlin, 232 Zelkova Drive, liked the initial designs.

Beverly Bretana, 469 Zelkova Drive, asked if they were condominiums or townhouses. Mr. Lang stated they were condominiums that look like townhouses, similar those constructed in Wyndham Phase I & II.

Kathy Short, 421 Zelkova Drive, asked if this section of Wyndham was going to be part of their homeowners association. Mr. Lang stated the homeowners association will be separate for this section from Phase I & II of Wyndham Plantation.

There being no further questions the application was tabled at the applicants request pending the preparation and submission of the final plans.

ARB #05-104 Rita's Water Ice/Monticello Avenue – New Building

William & Valerie Pawlak returned for final approval after receiving conceptual approval at the August 23, 2005, ARB meeting. They noted the following details for the building:

- Green canvas awning with a dome in the center for signage.
- Red Bollards – Needed for safety.
- Red metal benches to be installed between the bollards.
- Red metal tables with no umbrellas.
- Planter boxes.

Mrs. Pawlak added they would be willing to paint the bollards any color the Board would recommend.

The Board reviewed the details presented. Mrs. Murphy noted that this project would not require Planning Commission approval because it is less than 1,000 square feet. Mr. Hertlzer noted that he would like to see more landscaping to break up the sea of asphalt. The Pawlak responded that they would add more landscaping if possible.

Mr. Williams motioned to approve ARB #50-104 as revised.

Recorded vote on the motion:

Aye: Mr. Klee, Mr. Edwards, Mr. Lane, Mr. Williams, Mr. Hertzler, Mr. Spence and Mr. Quarles.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

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The minutes were approved as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Carolyn A. Murphy
Zoning Administrator